

Follow-Up Audit of Resources and Development Management Department/Planning and Development Services Cash Receipts, Audit No. 2017

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Objectivity

Independence

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FROM:

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Internal Audit Bepartment

SUBJECT:

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We have completed a follow-up audit of the Resources and Development Management Department/Planning and Development Services' (formerly Planning and Development Services Department) Cash Receipts process. Our audit was limited to reviewing, as of February 23, 2005, actions taken to implement one remaining recommendation made in our original audit report dated March 20, 2001.

Attachment

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The original audit report (and three subsequent follow-up audit reports dated May 16, 2002, November 27, 2002, and April 29, 2004) contained a recommendation concerning an unreconciled difference of \$119,580.61 in the Customer Trust Account (Fund 300-306-9200-0041) used to hold customer deposits for permits. RDMD/Accounting Services and the Auditor-Controller determined that the discrepancy occurred between 1992 - 1993 and was deemed the result of an accounting error and not a cash loss. In February 2005, a budget transfer in the amount of \$119,580.61 from Fund 113 into the Customer Trust Account was approved and made. We are pleased to report that this outstanding recommendation has been fully implemented.

We appreciate the cooperation and assistance extended to us by RDMD/Accounting Services and the Auditor-Controller during our review.

Sincerely

Peter Hughes, Ph.D. CPA

Director, Internal Audit Department



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